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This is to emphasize an apparent gap in our democratic arsenal.

We can and do give economic and technical support to friendly and neutral nations and to certain needy groups or individuals within these nations. When our enemies are on the verge of political victory, in previously friendly or neutral countries, we can and do lend military support to groups which remain friendly to us

We appear to have no adequate means, however, of providing support for political parties, religious or reform groups which might help prevent their countries falling under communist influence.

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